9 March 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Historical Staff

SUBJECT:

Survey of Additional Allen W. Dulles

Manuscripts

Bernie:

I discussed the substance of your 6 March memorandum with Mr. Colby. He is agreeable to our screening the material with a mixture of professionals and clericals for purposes of identifying and sequestering materials which are classified or should have been classified. He also agreed that there is no need for further recourse to him on this matter.

Special Assistant for Information Control

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l. In accordance with your instructions, as transmitted by SAIC, I met with Mr. Fred Garner Ranney, representative of Mrs. Allen W. Dulles, at the Dulles home on 5 March to survey additional quantities of Allen W. Dulles papers, not vetted in the original survey by

and others. Mr. Ranney, who has been readying the Dulles papers for shipment to Princeton University, requested the additional survey when he found some classified documents scattered through files which had appeared on casual inspection to consist of manuscripts of unclassified books.

- 2. To facilitate a more careful review than was possible in the cellar of the Dulles home, I obtained permission from Mr. Ranney and Mrs. Dulles to transfer the additional papers, stored in eight cardboard boxes and an empty wooden Bordeaux wine case, to the Agency. For this purpose I had the nine boxes picked up by O/S and moved to the secure room of the CIA Historical Staff, 203 Key Building, where they are now located.
- 3. Because of tax problems, the Dulles family desires to expedite the transfer of the papers to Princeton. Mr. Ranney indicated that there is genuine urgency in this desire and asked if the Agency could complete its review in one week. I replied that I would do my best to effect a speedy review, but did not promise to complete the scanning by an specific date.
- 4. I have therefore made a quick initial survey in order to establish the size of the review problem. (copy attached). From this survey it appears that most of the papers in question

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consist of the manuscript copies of books published or planned for publication by Mr. Dulles. The manuscripts of the published books will require light scanning to insure that no classified papers are interleaved in the text. Manuscripts of unpublished books should be reviewed more closely to insure that the text does not include sensitive information. There is a considerable amount of correspondence concerning these books. This correspondence should be checked more Carefully. For example, Box 7 contains a SECRET memorandum from James Critchfield, commenting on the veracity of an article in Der Spiegel, 27 April 1960, on Mr. Dulles' relationship with Gisevius, and the question of who set fire to the Reichstag. There is a file on relations with Frederick Praeger, the publisher, which should be scanned closely (Box 6). The papers contain three copies of a classified speech which Mr. Dulles made to the National War College on "Soviet Objectives" in 1952 (Box 1). Some of these materials can be declassified; others should be incorporated with the Dulles papers previously screened and placed in Records Center under the control of the Executive Registry.

- Finally, there are two boxes (8 and 9) of papers relating to Mr. Dulles' membership on the Warren Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. These boxes include two confidential Secret Service reports on the assassination. A determination should be made concerning the proper ownership and repository for these papers.
- 6. After completing my initial survey I consulted with SAIC, on the nature and size of the screening proposed to arrange with ISD/DDO to undertake the actual screening using people experienced in reviewing OSS files. If this course is adopted, the documents will be transferred to ISD as indicated.

Chief, CIA Historical Staff

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